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## Breaking News New Dresbach Bridge in Minnesota Features Textured Coating by TEX-COTE

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A new bridge crossing the Mississippi River between Wisconsin and Minnesota features a special textured coating product by Florida-based <u>TEX·COTE</u>, the manufacturer of specialty textured coatings for building applications.

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One of the most technologically advanced coatings manufacturers in the world, Textured Coatings of America, Inc., a 56year-old company also called TEX·COTE, is a leading manufacturer of highway and bridge coatings and offers a complete line of decorative and protective high-build architectural coatings for commercial, industrial, transportation and residential uses.

TEX·COTE products have been used on many prestigious buildings, landmarks, control towers, bridges and homes worldwide.

TEX:COTE products were used for the new I-90 Mississippi River Bridge, which consists of a pair of bridges over the Mississippi River that connect the area of La Crosse, Wisconsin to Winona County, Minnesota. The new bridges opened to traffic in October 2016, replacing a previous plate girder bridge built in 1967 that was deemed not as safe for traffic, with more narrow shoulders that lead to lane closures when disabled cars needed to get over to the side or during routine maintenance.

The cost for the new set of bridges was \$185.5 million. They were designed to last 100 years, improve safety for drivers, and improve traffic flow. The new bridges were ordered by the Minnesota Department of Transportation.

The TEX·COTE product used for the Dresbach Bridge Project was XL 70 Bridge Cote with Silane. In all, thousands of gallons were sold to the painting contractor, Rainbow Inc., and Courtland, LLC., a TEX·COTE distributor, for this specific project. The general contractor was Ames Construction, Inc.

Since TEX·COTE founding in 1961, the company's ongoing research and development efforts have led to many industry advancements and the development of "green" products with low volatile organic compounds (VOCs). TEX·COTE's patented Coolwall IR System has been proven to reduce energy usage and its manufacturing process incorporates post-consumer recycled content.

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